

STATE OF INDIANA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2011 - 1H -F

DATE OF NOTICE: January 31, 2011

For information about your rights and responsibilities pertaining to the Public Notice process and timeframes, please visit IDEM websites: <http://www.in.gov/idem/5474.htm> and IDEM Citizen Guide: <http://www.in.gov/idem/5803.htm>.

The Office of Water Quality issues the following **MAJOR INDUSTRIAL NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL**:

**U.S. STEEL CORPORATION, MIDWEST PLANT**, Permit No. IN0000337, PORTER COUNTY, 6300 U.S. Route 12, Portage, IN 46368. This industrial facility finishes coils received from other U.S. Steel plants into cold rolled, galvanized chromium or tin plated strip and sheet products. Activities at the permitted facility include acid pickling, cold rolling, alkaline cleaning, operation of a sheet temper mill, continuous annealing, electro-galvanizing, and tin electroplating. This facility discharges 103.21 million gallons per day of process wastewater, contact cooling water, non-contact cooling water, and storm water into the Portage-Burns Waterway (Burns Ditch). The sanitary wastewater from the permitted facility is now directed to the City of Portage WWTP. A complete listing and description of outfalls and discharge points are detailed in the final Permit and Fact Sheet. Permit Writer: Matt Carmichael at 317/233-5961 or [mcarmich@idem.IN.gov](mailto:mcarmich@idem.IN.gov).

**APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR FINAL PERMITS**

The Final Permit is available for review & copies at IDEM/Office of Water Quality, IGCN 1255, 100 N Senate Ave, INDPLS, IN - from 9 - 4, M - F (copies 10¢ per page). To request an E mail copy, send to Damita Ivey at [divey@idem.in.gov](mailto:divey@idem.in.gov). The Permit is also available at the local County Health Department. **Please tell others you think would be interested in this matter.** For your rights and responsibilities go to <http://www.in.gov/idem/5474.htm>. Citizen Guide: <http://www.in.gov/idem/5803.htm>.

**Appeal Procedure:** Any person affected by the issuance of the Final Permit may appeal by filing a Petition for Administrative Review with the Office of Environmental Adjudication within eighteen (18) days of the date of this Public Notice. Any appeal request must be filed in accordance with IC 4-21.5-3-7 and must include facts demonstrating that the party requesting appeal is the applicant; a person aggrieved or adversely affected or is otherwise entitled to review by law.

**Timely filing:** The Petition for Administrative Review must be received by the Office of Environmental Adjudication (OEA) within 18 days of the date of this Public Notice; either by U.S. Mail postmark or by private carrier with dated receipt. This Petition for Administrative Review represents a request for an Adjudicatory Hearing, therefore must:

- state the name and address of the person making the request;
- identify the interest of the person making the request;
- identify any persons represented by the person making the request;
- state specifically the reasons for the request;
- state specifically the issues proposed for consideration at the hearing;
- identify the Final Permit Rule terms and conditions which, in the judgment of the person making the request, would be appropriate to satisfy the requirements of the law governing this NPDES Permit rule.

If the person filing the Petition for Administrative Review desires any part of the NPDES Final Permit Rule to be stayed pending the outcome of the appeal, a Petition for Stay must be included in the appeal request, identifying those parts to be stayed. Both Petitions shall be mailed or delivered to the address here:  
**Phone: 317/232-8591.**

Environmental Law Judge  
Office of Environmental Adjudication  
IGC - North Building- Rm 501  
100 N. Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis IN 46204

**Stay Time frame:** If the Petition (s) is filed within eighteen (18) days of the mailing of this Public Notice, the effective date of any part of the permit, within the scope of the Petition for Stay is suspended for fifteen (15) days. The Permit will become effective again upon expiration of the fifteen (15) days, unless or until an Environmental Law Judge stays the permit action in whole or in part.

**Hearing Notification:** Pursuant to Indiana Code, when a written request is submitted, the OEA will provide the petitioner or any person wanting notification, with the Notice of pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearing stays or orders disposing of the Petition for Administrative Review. Petition for Administrative Review must be filed in compliance with the procedures and time frames outlined above. Procedural or scheduling questions should be directed to the OEA at the phone listed above.